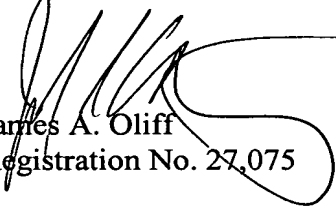


**REMARKS**

Claims 1 - 11 are pending in this application. By this Amendment, claims 1, 3 - 11 are amended to eliminate multiple dependencies and reference numerals. The abstract is also amended to eliminate reference numerals. Prompt and favorable consideration on the merits is respectfully requested.

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